

AGENDA



Recommendation for Council Action (CLMD)

Austin City Council	Item ID:	7225	Agenda Number	11.
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Meeting Date:	June 23, 2011
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Department:	Contract and Land Management
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Subject

Authorize execution of a construction contract with MAC, INC., Austin, Texas for the East Bouldin - One Texas Center Water Quality Retrofits in an amount not to exceed \$184,724.

Amount and Source of Funding

Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2010-2011 Capital Budget of the Watershed Protection Department.

Fiscal Note

A fiscal note is attached.

Purchasing Language:	Lowest bid of two bids received.
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Prior Council Action:	
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MBE / WBE:	This contract will be awarded in compliance with Chapter 2-9A of the City Code (Minority Owned and Women Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program) by meeting the goals with 9.33% MBE and 35.88% WBE subcontractor participation.
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Related Items:	
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Additional Backup Information

The City of Austin has been recognized by the US Environmental Protection Agency as a model city in the development and implementation of Green Infrastructure projects to reduce stormwater pollution. Green Infrastructure projects are engineered solutions that use natural processes like soil infiltration and vegetative uptake, like rain gardens and vegetated filter strips to reduce water pollution. The Watershed Protection Department's Master Plan has targeted East Bouldin Creek and Lady Bird Lake as priority watersheds for reducing stormwater pollution. The One Texas Center campus serves as office space for several City departments, including the Watershed Protection Department. This site drains directly to East Bouldin Creek and subsequently to Lady Bird Lake. The campus was constructed prior to the requirement for on-site water quality controls.

This project will address polluted stormwater runoff and provide a visible demonstration of Green Infrastructure to the public and the design community. The Watershed Protection Department has partnered with the Public Works Department to design and construct rain gardens that will treat the stormwater runoff from the One Texas Center parking lots. The rain gardens will remove pollution and reduce the need for landscape irrigation by using runoff to water the landscape. This is the first City project to demonstrate how commercial property owners can comply with the Commercial Landscape Ordinance No. 20101216-097 that requires parking lot runoff to be directed to landscape areas.

The contract allows 60 calendar days for completion. This project is located within zip code 78704.